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| (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 (              | Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee);                       |   |     |
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